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NO. 9. POPULATION OF STATES AND TERRITORIES OF AUSTRALIA.

Interim totals derived from the Census show that the population of Australia was 8,983,239 at 30th June, 1954. This total may be slightly amended when the checking of all census records is completed next month.

Although the population had not quite reached its ninth million by the date of the Census, subsequent records of natural increase and migration show that the population of Australia passed 9,000,000 at approximately the middle of August, 1954.

This Bulletin contains interim figures of the population in each State and Territory within Australia at the Census of 30th June, 1954, together with final figures for the previous Census in 1947.

The figures for 1954 are issued at a comparatively early stage. They are in an interim form, because they are derived from the initial Field Count and are subject to amendment when the preliminary check is completed in November. They include "migratory" population which comprises all persons who spent Census night on ships, railway trains or aircraft.

POPULATION IN STATES AND TERRITORIES, 30TH JUNE, 1947 AND 1954.

(Exclusive of Full-blood Aboriginals)

NOTE: The 1954 figures are derived from the Census Field Count and are subject to amendment when the preliminary check is completed in November.

State and Territory	Census 30th June, 1947			Census 30th June, 1954		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
New South Wales	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838	1,721,402	1,702,485	3,423,887
Victoria ..	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701	1,228,974	1,219,723	2,448,697
Queensland ..	567,471	538,944	1,106,415	675,973	641,660	1,317,633
South Australia	320,031	326,042	646,073	404,453	393,354	797,807
Western Australia	258,076	244,404	502,480	330,267	309,361	639,628
Tasmania ..	129,244	127,834	257,078	157,123	151,660	308,783
Northern Territory	7,378	3,490	10,868	10,305	6,184	16,489
Australian Capital Territory	9,092	7,813	16,905	16,229	14,086	30,315
AUSTRALIA:	3,797,370	3,781,988	7,579,358	4,544,726	4,438,513	8,983,239

The total increase in population during the intercensal period as disclosed by these figures was 1,403,881 or an average of 200,554 or 2.46 per cent. per annum. Between June 30th, 1947 and June 30th, 1954 natural increase was 784,170 persons and net migration 619,711 persons.

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